

Unity of Purpose and Democracy

What citizens said ... and how the plan responds.

“Act on what citizens had to say at Citizen Summit.”

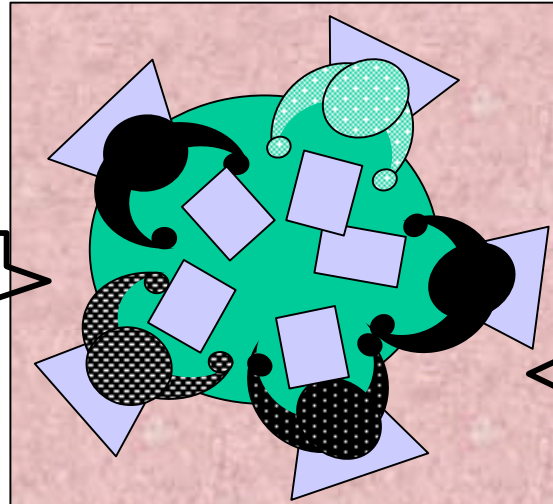
- The second draft of the strategic plan fully incorporates the priorities identified by citizens.
- A public report card will also be developed to hold the government accountable for implementing the Strategic Plan.

“Hold more forums like the Citizen Summit, especially in neighborhoods.”

- Beginning in April, Neighborhood Action will begin conducting simultaneous neighborhood forums in 39 neighborhood groupings throughout the city.

“Improve the capacity of the Advisory Neighborhood Commissions to represent citizen interests.”

- A coordinator/liaison position will be established in the Office of the Public Advocate to provide greater support and coordination for the ANCs.



“Improve access to public information about government programs and services.”

- New programs will be developed to distribute public information through a variety of media.
- This will include public information kiosks, Internet platforms for each agency, a Mayor’s Chat Room on the Internet, and new programming on District Cable Television.

“Citizens want more opportunities to participate in the governance of the community.”

- Neighborhood Action will continue to provide citizens with public forums to participate in the governance of their city and their neighborhoods.
- Additionally, a government office will be created to coordinate volunteerism to better support citizen participation on city-wide priorities.

“Obtain voting rights for District residents.”

- A national goal champion and democracy team will be formed to develop national support for home rule in the District of Columbia.